on eternal snows. The war, too, will now be incessant, If the war were merely that of the passions, there might be cessations and gaps and intervals; but being^now that of a troubled conscience, as well as that of a disordered heart, it becomes a constant and everlasting warfare, without respite and without end. Such seems to be the necessary issue of the very principles in the nature of responsible beings. It is conceivable, then, that there may be beings, angelic beings, who wage a never-ceasing warfare with God, urged on by a disordered conscience, and passions which have broken loose from all restraint. Man's reason and experience cannot tell him that there are such beings, but they show -that there may be such, and that this is the natural and—unless God miraculously interpose—the necessary result of the fall of beings who have a moral law in their hearts. Every one can understand how a criminal, repeatedly condemned and punished by an earthly judge, becomes hardened in the very process. This phenomenon, constantly presented in every country, is the natural issue of principles in the mind of fallen man. But these same principles, on the condemnation being pronounced by the Judge of the universe, will lead to a similar result; and just as we find that those who have once been elevated become the most degraded on their being seduced into crime; just as we find the most abandoned criminals in nations that are refined ; so we may expect that beings who stand the highest must descend the lowest when they fall—their very previous exaltation making them roll the farther down. Kevelation is not, then, telling us of an impossibility, in announcing that there are fallen angels ever incited by restlessness within, to try new projects of wickedness, were it only to vary the sameness of their misery; ever seeking to extract a bitter consolation from the frustration of the Divine purposes and the extension of vice and

misery, and to drag down others with them into that abyss into which they have been plunged. He who fell by pride, may surely now be expected to gratify an unruly ambition by attempting to multiply the restless spirits who may do him homage. True it is that every apparent victory has been followed by overwhelming defeat; but the seeming triumph has been sufficient to goad on that spirit which has nothing to hope from assumed and forced submission, while it is indisposed to genuine repentance. And we have only to look to man, to discover that propensities to evil